

The tragedy of Man: He starts off with a Country - and winds up with a Government!

# Hope Star

## Our Daily Bread

Sliced Thin by The Editor  
Alex. H. Washburn  
Johnson Bows Out  
But Convention  
Draft Is Possible

There's plenty about Lyndon B. Johnson to dislike, as this harsh critic has declared, but you'll have to say this for him: He's a dedicated man.

He proved it Sunday night when he bowed out of the campaign for re-election. His position seemed to be: "I got our country into the Vietnam war. I saw no other course, then or now. But our people are divided. So I'll get out and leave them with a free choice—and let history write the verdict."

That seemed to be his thinking, and political observers had been hinting at it for a year—but upon its actual arrival reality is hard to accept.

Your editor's view of President Johnson is one shared by millions—supporting him on the war issue but criticizing his spendthrift policies on the domestic front. Yet the final decision rests on a razor-thin margin—and if the November election should suddenly be reduced to a "yes" or "no" vote on the war it is likely that the majority would go for the President.

His announced exit from the scene therefore leaves the political stage in disorder, if not panic. There is an impossible vacuum in the Democratic command post. McCarthy and Kennedy are headquarters rebels. Humphrey has been carrying the President's flag loyalty, but lacks LBJ's hold on the people.

Mr. Johnson's abdication leaves his party in such a hole that I am driven to wonder whether this is a genuine moment of truth or a supreme strategic gesture by a master politician.

The President's fortunes are at the lowest ever in the popular polls, and his offer to abdicate is a shocker that is guaranteed to soften critics, win support, and give the country some second thoughts about the debate over the war.

Finally, no President in history has ever refused a draft from a desperate party convention. And what other course has the Democratic party but to draft?

## Let Reason Prevail, LBJ Pleads

The regular April term of Hempstead County Circuit Court will convene at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday April 2 with the Hon. Judge William Arnold III on the bench and with William F. Denman Jr. Prosecuting Attorney.

Petit Jurors summoned to serve during this term are: Ned Ray Purtle, John J. Wilson, Coy Lee Huston, David Wayne Burke, Bennie Mitchell, James W. Connally, Lynn Franks, Lake Bryant, Paul Church, Monroe Kent, See CIRCUIT COURT

## Many Things Learned From Morning Mail, Columnist Declares

NEW YORK (AP) — Things a columnist might never know if he didn't open his mail:

It's a bad idea to let your pet pooch stray near neighborhood kids who have the mumps. Dogs can catch this disease from children.

Footballs are called pigskins, but actually they are made of cowhide. Originally, in this country, they were made of rubberized canvas. In Shakespeare's time games were played with inflated pig bladders, and before that English athletes enjoyed a sport in which they kicked human skulls around a field. The skulls generally belonged to extinct Danes.

Vacationing is now a year-round thing for Americans. Of the people who spend a week away from home annually, one out of four now makes the trip between November and March, and 58 per cent of those who go abroad do so between October and June.

Napoleon Bonaparte enjoyed the sweet smell of success. He liked cologne so much he sometimes used 50 or more bottles a month. Incidentally, if you have an average nose, you should be able to smell 2,000 different scents. A trained nose can distinguish between twice that number of odors.

At what age do children grow the fastest? For boys, between

12 to 15 years; for girls, between 11 and 14 years.

Quotable notables: "To find a career to which you are adapted by nature, and then to work hard at it, is about as near to a formula for success and happiness as the world provides." — Mark Sullivan.

I swear: Can you imagine the money the federal government could collect if it made profanity illegal and penalized it with heavy fines? Well, it has been tried. Such a law, called the "Profane Oaths Act," was passed in England in 1745. Violators were fined according to their station in life.

Feeling blue? Well, that's becoming one of the most commonplace mental woes of Western culture, perhaps an unavoidable price we pay for our complex civilization. Dr. Nathan S. Kline of New York's Rockland State Hospital says the diagnoses of neurotic depression have leaped tenfold in the last 25 years.

Maybe you suffer from nightmares, too. In the Middle Ages they were believed to be caused by nocturnal devils pressing down on a sleeping person's chest. The word nightmare comes from an old Teutonic term meaning "night devil."

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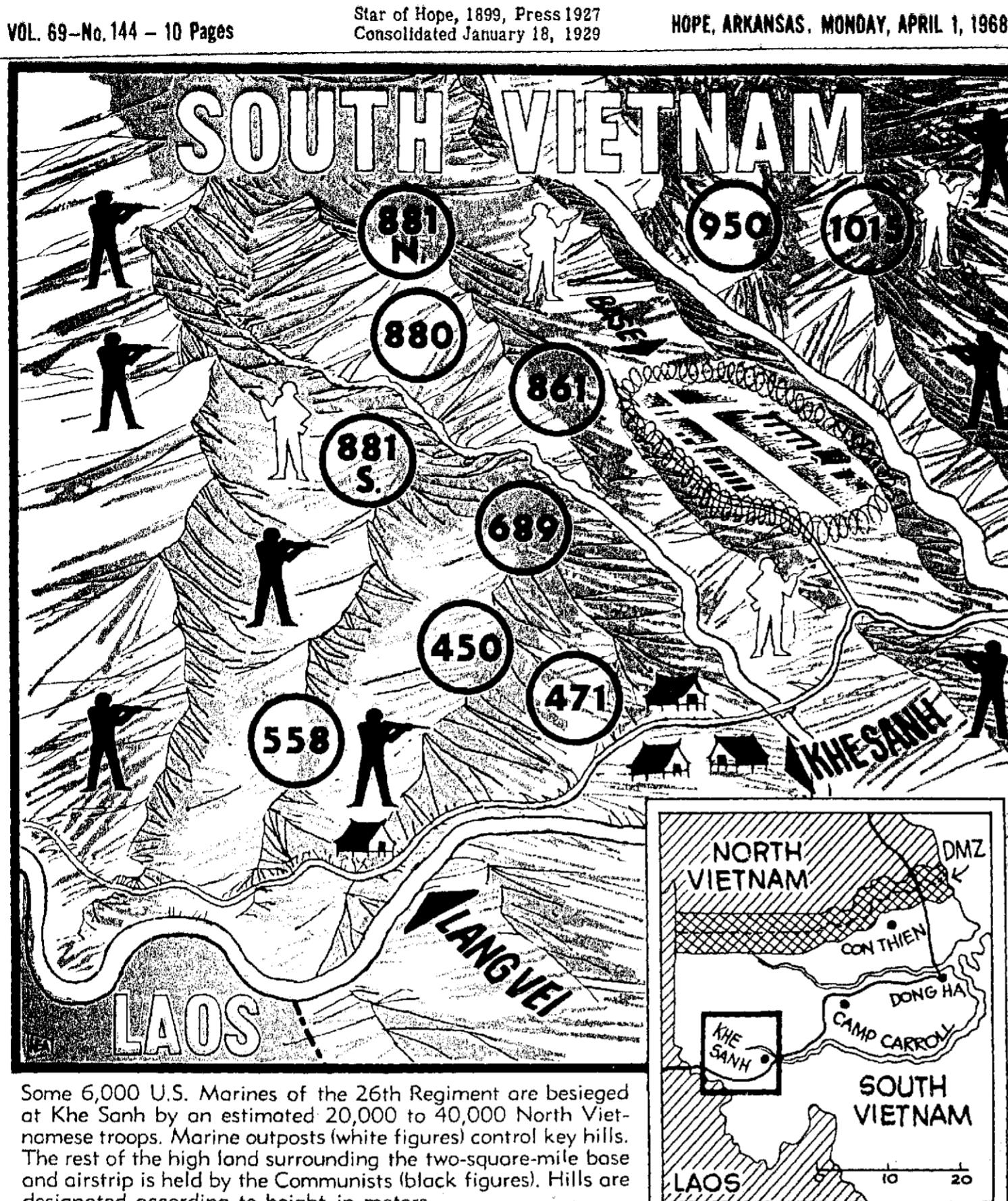
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Some 6,000 U.S. Marines of the 26th Regiment are besieged at Khe Sanh by an estimated 20,000 to 40,000 North Vietnamese troops. Marine outposts (white figures) control key hills. The rest of the high land surrounding the two-square-mile base and airstrip is held by the Communists (black figures). Hills are designated according to height in meters.

## Circuit Court Here Tuesday

## Averell Harriman Is Tapped for Seeking Peace With Viet Cong

By WILLIAM MORAN  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — W. Averell Harriman, the sophisticated millionaire who held senior jobs under Presidents Harry S. Truman and three under President John F. Kennedy, has been tapped for another presidential mission with a familiar goal: Peace.

Harriman is 76 years old and if North Vietnam's representatives show up at the negotiating table, as President Johnson expressed hope Sunday night they will, they are destined to deal with a U.S. diplomat of almost

unparalleled experience.

Harriman said in his nationwide address that Harriman and Soviet Ambassador Llewellyn Thompson will be ready to go to Geneva "or any other suitable place—just as soon as Hanoi agrees to a conference."

Harriman currently is ambassador at large and has for some time been active in U.S. efforts to secure peace talks.

Harriman has journeyed around the world on similar missions since the Cold War began at the close of World War II.

The scion of one of America's great railroad families—he once ran the Union Pacific Railroad — Harriman first came to Washington when Franklin D. Roosevelt was in the White House, working in key domestic agencies.

But diplomacy seemed his real love and Roosevelt gave him some challenging posts—work on the Lend Lease pro-

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## New Trial for Magnolia Man Ordered

LITTLE ROCK (AP) — The Arkansas Supreme Court today reversed a Columbia Chancery Court ruling and ordered a new trial in a case in which Dr. Joe F. Rushton of Magnolia was held accountable for \$158,230.

Rushton was held accountable for the amount for his personal endorsement of certain notes granted by the First National Bank of Magnolia to Numark Manufacturing Co.

The unanimous opinion, written by Associate Justice Conley Byrd, said the reversal was based on the trial court allowing an attorney, William A. Eckart Jr., to testify over Rushton's objections.

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## Local Plant Declared Bankrupt

Little Rock—The Southern Plaswood Corporation of Hope has been declared bankrupt by Referee in Bankruptcy Arnold M. Adams of Little Rock on a petition filed by the Corporation. The firm manufactures particle board and employs more than 100 persons.

Adams appointed Critt Stuart Jr., of Hope as receiver and instructed him to keep the factory operating. He also authorized Stuart to lease the plant to Wynnewood Products Company of Dallas for \$2,000 a month pending sale of the business at a bankruptcy auction.

The bankruptcy petition said that the Corporation had assets worth \$669,506 and that its debts totaled \$1,010,510,58, including \$386,942,26 secured by liens and \$595,516,08 owed to unsecured creditors. It also owes \$19,546,70 in federal taxes, \$3,571.79 in state and local taxes and \$3,933.75 in back wages, the petition said.

The petition was signed by John M. Crafton of Hope, vice president and general manager of the Corporation. Crafton said that John Shattuck, the corporation president, had resigned.

Adams scheduled the first meeting of creditors for 11 a.m. April 16 in federal District Court at Texarkana.

## Lincoln High Holds Student Council Vote

Lincoln High students elected officers for the student council March 15th.

Those elected were: Ray Floyd, president; James Pryor, vice-president; Katie White, secretary; Bennie Murel Stuart, assistant-secretary; Linda Watson, treasurer; Angela Fellows, Business Manager; Wanda Martin, reporter; Kenneth Green, chaplin.

Installation of officers will be held May 3, in the school gymnasium.

Alvin Williamson, reporter and Mrs. Evelyn Williamson, Adviser.

## Johnson Will Not Seek Re-election, Orders De-escalation of War

### Bombings Halted in Peace Bid

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER  
AP Special Correspondent

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Johnson has ordered a halt in U.S. bombing of most of North Vietnam in a sudden new bid to de-escalate the war in Southeast Asia and get peace talks started in the immediate future.

"I call upon President Ho Chi Minh," Johnson said in announcing his action Sunday night, "to respond positively, and favorably, to this new step toward peace."

He did not say how long the limited cessation of attacks would continue if Ho does not respond favorably. He did say the bomb halt, covering "almost 90 per cent" of North Vietnam's population, could be made complete if Ho would now demonstrate "restraint."

The President called on Britain and the Soviet Union "to do all they can to move . . . toward genuine peace in Southeast Asia." Officials said those two governments—co-chairmen of the Geneva Conference—could play key roles in arranging talks. They were notified shortly in advance of Johnson's announcement, and the South Vietnamese government was consulted, officials indicated.

But these informants said no advance assurance of responsive action was obtained from North Vietnam, which presumably was not notified by the Soviets.

The move apparently involved some concession in the earlier U.S. position that for bombing to be stopped Hanoi would have to indicate a willingness to de-escalate by leveling off its infiltration of men and supplies into South Vietnam.

However, to accept the President's proposal Hanoi would also have to make some concessions in its position. Its condition for entering peace talks has been that the United States must stop all bombing of the North unconditionally and definitely.

Johnson made clear that air strikes would continue against enemy forces building up in the Southern area of North Vietnam against Khe Sanh and other U.S. and allied positions in the northern border region of South Vietnam.

But he said these strikes also "could come to an early end" if North Vietnam would impose "restraint" on its operations.

The President put his proposal this way:

"We are prepared to move immediately toward peace through negotiations. So tonight, in the hope that this action will lead to early talks, I am taking

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## All Around Town

By The Star Staff

All children entering the first grade next year must register at the different elementary schools nearest their residence. . . . registration will be at anytime this week Monday April 1 through April 5.

Dianne Marcum of Hope has been named to the Dean's list for the fall semester at State College of Arkansas in Conway. . . . she is a sophomore majoring in elementary education. . . . to make the list the student must have at least a 3.5 grade average. . . . she is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vance Marcum.

Sgt. and Mrs. James H. Earley, Leesville, La., are visiting their mother, Mrs. Avery McKinney and other relatives. . . . Sgt. Earley has recently returned from 17 months in Vietnam and will go back there next week.

Seven students in the University of Arkansas' College of Agriculture and Home Economics earned straight A averages

### AP News Digest

JOHNSON: The Presidency  
President Johnson says his announcement that he will neither seek nor accept another term in the White House is "irrevocable."

Reached only in the past day or two, President Johnson's decision to leave the White House without seeking another term was many months in the making.

With the men, money and myth of Camelot, Sen. Robert F. Kennedy emerges as the leading contender for the Democratic presidential nomination despite Sen. Eugene J. McCarthy's position.

Draft-Rockefeller groups, which have not disbanded despite the New York governor's disavowal of intentions to seek the Republican nomination, are expected to redouble their efforts. But Richard M. Nixon is the acknowledged front-runner.

"Tragic," says one man. "Wonderful," says another. Americans show a wide range of reaction to Johnson's announcement he won't run.

Johnson's bombshell announcement is another in a series of political shockers that have turned the 1968 presidential race upside down.

Johnson's decision strips the Wisconsin primary of its feature contest, leaving McCarthy with no foe to further test his strength.

### BULLETIN

WASHINGTON (AP) — Defense officials disclosed today the administration is planning a three-phase callup of military reserve forces which would involve the mobilization of around 60,000 men in coming months.

A man of many surprises, Johnson's announcement was his most stunning move in a 37-year career in politics. No president eligible to succeed himself has sparked a fight for the office since Harry S. Truman bowed out during the controversial Korean War 20 years ago.

Johnson attributed his decision—which aides said was a year in the making—to controversies rending the nation at this time, including the Vietnam war.

"There is division in the American house now," he said in solemn tones. "There is divisiveness among us all tonight."

Then, after appealing to all Americans "to guard against divisiveness and all its ugly consequences," he came to the key passages:

". . . I have concluded that I should not permit the presidency to become involved in the partisan divisions that are developing in this political year.

"With America's sons in the fields far away, with America's future under challenge right here at home, with our hopes and the world's hopes for peace in the balance every day, I do not believe that I should devote an hour or a day of my time to any personal partisan causes or to any duties other than the awesome duties of this office—the Presidency of your country."

"Accordingly, I shall not seek, and I will not accept, the nomination of my party for another term as your President."

Johnson backed the disclosure of his very personal decision onto a major Vietnam policy speech in which he announced his broadest-yet peace move: An immediate and indefinite halt in most air and sea bombardment of North Vietnam as "the first step to de-escalate the conflict."

This military decision, momentous as it was, quickly was overshadowed by the postscript to his speech, which was not included in the prepared text distributed to newsmen in advance.

Candidates, politicians of all stripes and ordinary citizens appeared alike in reacting to Johnson's announcement with astonishment.

## Strike Idles Ceylon Ports

COLOMBO, Ceylon (AP) — Ceylon's ports were tied up today by a strike of 28,000 dock workers continuing a dispute over a fifth column in the union.

The workers struck recently over the employment of 25 persons by the Ceylon Mercantile Union. The union considers plants by political parties to weaken union strength. The government dock authority agreed to dismiss them but gave the men 30 days notice.

**Obituaries****Attacks on Most of N. Vietnam Halt**By GEORGE ESPER  
Associated Press Writer

SAIGON (AP) — American bombers and warships halted their attacks on most of North Vietnam today, one day after strikes close to Hanoi, Haiphong and the Chinese border.

The cutback in the bombing ordered by President Johnson was the 10th curtailment in the air war against the Communist North since it began on Feb. 7, 1965.

Gen. William C. Westmoreland's headquarters said the reduction in the bombing was in effect by the time the President began his television statement announcing it, at 10 a.m. Saigon time.

The U.S. Command said American fighter-bombers confined their attacks on North Vietnam today to the area just above the demilitarized zone, hitting enemy storage complexes, truck convoys and gun positions.

Only a few hours before, the U.S. Command announced that American planes on Sunday attacked the Cat Bi airfield four miles southeast of the center of Haiphong, the radio communications station 10 miles south-southeast of Hanoi, a chemical plant 19 miles northeast of Haiphong, the Cam Pha coal area, 44 miles east-northeast of Haiphong, and the Lang Giai railroad, 18 miles below the Chinese border.

Johnson said his de-escalation order applied to "most" of North Vietnam's territory and an area containing almost 90 per cent of its population. This includes the Hanoi-Haiphong industrial heartland and the vital northeast and northwest railroad lines between Hanoi and Communist China.

The President said the bombing would continue "in the area north of the demilitarized zone where the continuing enemy buildup directly threatens Allied forward positions and where movements of troops and supplies are clearly related to that threat."

Westmoreland's headquarters and the U.S. 7th Air Force refused to outline this area still subject to attack, but it probably extends north to the city of Vinh, about 130 miles above the demilitarized zone.

**Weather**Experiment Sta.  
tion report for 24.  
hours ending at 7  
a.m. Monday, High  
69, Low 53.**Forecast**

ARKANSAS — Partly cloudy to cloudy and cool through Tuesday. Chance of a few showers west and southern portions tonight and over the state Tuesday. Low tonight mainly in the 40s.

**Weather Elsewhere**

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	High	Low
Albany, rain	77	45
Albuquerque, rain	68	44
Atlanta, cloudy	77	58
Bismarck, clear	44	24
Boise, cloudy	68	43
Boston, cloudy	64	50
Buffalo, cloudy	75	33
Chicago, clear	63	32
Cincinnati, clear	67	37
Cleveland, clear	73	31
Denver, cloudy	60	32
Des Moines, clear	67	22
Detroit, clear	70	28
Fairbanks, cloudy	33	8
Fort Worth, rain	79	57
Helena, cloudy	53	29
Honolulu, clear	83	70
Indianapolis, clear	64	34
Jacksonville, cloudy	83	64
Juno, clear	41	20
Kansas City, cloudy	67	33
Los Angeles, cloudy	66	57
Louisville, clear	64	40
Memphis, clear	66	48
Miami, cloudy	76	72
Milwaukee, clear	65	26
Mpls., St. Paul, clear	53	20
New Orleans, fog	76	58
New York, rain	68	55
Okla. City, cloudy	65	45
Omaha, clear	51	30
Philadelphia, rain	73	60
Phoenix, clear	81	55
Pittsburgh, clear	76	32
Ptld., Me., rain	58	41
Ptld., Ore., cloudy	60	43
Rapid City, clear	52	26
Richmond, cloudy	83	63
St. Louis, clear	65	32
Salt Lk. City, cloudy	71	52
San Diego, cloudy	66	60
San Fran., rain	56	53
Seattle, cloudy	56	44
Tampa, cloudy	79	65
Washington, rain	77	51
Winnipeg, cloudy	39	21

**Gag Rule Could Work Both Ways**By EDMOND LeBRETON  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The "gag rule" which the House of Representatives often invokes on the consideration of legislation is regularly denounced by opponents as an unconscionable handicap to congressional discussion and action.

But the Senate, which has no such rule, has just spent a week demonstrating that there may be a lot to be said for the procedure.

The device, known more formally as a closed rule, amounts to this: The House Rules Committee—with the approval of a majority of the membership at large—can decree that the House vote yes or no on a measure before it, without any opportunity to alter it by offering amendments on the floor.

The Senate received from the House a simple bill to postpone reductions in the excise taxes on automobiles and telephone service and speed up corporate tax collections.

It is part—the lesser part—of President Johnson's program to raise some \$12 billion extra revenue to reduce the big budget deficits now impending. The major, and far more controversial part, is an income tax increase which neither chamber has approved.

The Senate, true to its tradition of unlimited debate and amendment, went to work with a will on the House-passed measure. By the time it weary quit for the weekend Friday it had debated 23 amendments—almost none of which related directly to the basic bill—and adopted 11. Still to be taken up were an undetermined number, including one block-buster—an effort to graft onto the bill an income-tax increase accompanied by a whopping cut in spending.

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**CIRCUIT COURT**

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James M. Lockhart, A. L. Archer, Samuel Huckabee, Victor Massanelli, Herbert Burns, Mrs. Juanita Cox, Dayle W. Huff, Wayne Russell, Harold Payne, Forrest Singleton, Roy O. Westfall, John W. Ellis, Gordon Tyer, Vernon Brown, O. C. Hindman, Cloyd Buttick, Oliver Nash, Mike Schneiker, Chester Verger. Criminal Jury trials set for Tuesday:

State of Arkansas vs Fred Davis McElroy, State of Arkansas vs James Kizer, State of Arkansas vs Ed Thomas, State of Arkansas vs Clarence Palmer, State of Arkansas vs Theo Primus, State of Arkansas vs Odie Wade Adams.

Civil Jury trial set for Thursday April 11, 9:30 a.m.

Arkansas State Highway Commission vs James G. Martindale, Tract No. 734.

Tuesday May 21st, 9:30 a.m.

Arkansas State Highway Commission vs. Thos. S. Wray, Tract No. 605-605E, Arkansas Power &amp; Light Co. vs. F. A. Barham ET UX. Robert Muldrew vs. Dr. Lynn Harris, Lucy Mae Moore vs. Parker Bros. Farming Co. Dorothy Coleman ET UX vs. Willet Shepard ET UX. Norman Moore ET UX vs. Jessie Mathews Jennings ET UX.

City Appeal cases Motions and non-jury trials will be heard Monday afternoon at 1:30 April 1st.

**Rubinoff Concert April 5**

Rubinoff and His Violin will be presented in concert at Hope High School Friday, April 5 at 8:15 p.m. by the Hope Rotary Club. Ticket chairman Ray Lawrence distributed tickets to sell at the weekly Rotary Club luncheon in the Town and Country last Friday. All proceeds will go to the Student Loan Fund and the Youth Center project, so the young people of Hope will benefit two ways from the ticket sales, everyone attending the concert will benefit through an entertaining evening of varied musical selections by the gifted artist.

Both McCarthy and Kennedy have focused their campaign attacks on Johnson's Vietnam policies. Johnson's announcement that he is "substantially reducing" the current level of hostilities on a unilateral basis is exactly what both have called for.

**NEW TRIAL FOR**

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es testified.

Eckart was one of the key witnesses for the bank in the case against Rushton.

The high court said the new trial should be "unprejudiced by any finding heretofore made." It said Eckart would be allowed to testify but that he would be required to leave the courtroom when other witnesses testified.

Rushton contends that he should not be held accountable for the note he endorsed for Nu-mark because he was acting as trustee for the bank.

Nu-mark obtained government contracts before filing for bankruptcy shortly before the trial of Rushton.

Court records show that Rushton had engaged in some enterprises with former bank president W. C. Blewster and some with U.S. District Judge Oren Harris, a former U.S. representative.

In a separate case, five counts were made against Brewster and he pleaded guilty to one. He was given a five-year sentence and fined \$5,000 but the sentence was suspended by Harris.

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Phone 7-3431 Between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

## Calendar of Events

MONDAY, APRIL 1

Mothers of the Little League, Pony League, and Doctor's League will meet Monday, April 1 at 7:30 p.m. at the Youth Center. There will be a business meeting and election of new officers for the coming season.

TUESDAY, APRIL 2

The WOC Council of the First Presbyterian Church will meet in the Chapel Tuesday, April 2 at 10 a.m.

Alpha Delta Chapter, Delta Kappa Gamma, will meet at 4 p.m. Tuesday, April 2 in the home of Mrs. Elmer Brown with Mrs. Hamilton Hanegan and Mrs. Thomas Hays, co-hostesses.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3

Garland PTA Study Group will meet Wednesday, April 3 at 9:30 a.m. in the home of Mrs. Revis Edmonds. All interested parents are invited to attend.

The Victory Extension Home-makers Club will meet Wednesday, April 3rd, at 2:00 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Robert Cash.

THURSDAY, APRIL 4

The Pat Cleburne Chapter of the UDC will meet at the Town and Country at 12:00 noon Thursday, April 4.

The Hope Men's Golf Association will meet at the Hope Country Club on Thursday, April 4. A 9-hole golf tournament, using the Calloway system of scoring will be played anytime during the afternoon, and a barbecue supper prepared by Jamie Russell will be served at 7:30 p.m. All male members of the Hope Country Club are invited.

Order of the Eastern Star will meet at the Masonic Hall at 7:30 Thursday, April 4. All members are urged to be present.

SATURDAY, APRIL 6

The Hempstead County Republican Women will have a White Elephant Sale Saturday, April 6 from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. in the building formerly occupied by West's Department Store on South Main.

BRIDGE—LUNCHEON

Spring flowers in varied hues were seen at the Hope Country Club on Thursday, March 28 for the monthly Ladies Bridge Luncheon. A potluck meal was served buffet-style, and afterwards bridge was played at 5 tables.

Mrs. Brack Schenck was high scorer, and Mrs. C. P. Tolleson, second high. Mrs. J. W. Smith was third in the scoring, and game prizes went to Mrs. John Wilson and Mrs. E. E. Wassell. Hostesses were Mrs. Thomas Hays and Mrs. J. B. Martin.

SPROUTS JUNIOR GARDEN CLUB

The Sprouts Junior Garden Club met Wednesday, March 20th, in the Garland School auditorium with Tony Stevenson, President, presiding. Bud McLarry, Vice-President, let the Pledge. Steven Skinner named three trees on the Conservation List: Red Bud, Native Dogwood and American Holly. Raymond Cox gave a talk on products derived from the trees of the forest. Tony Stevenson introduced

By TOMMY YATES  
Associated Press Writer

Some people believe they are just naturally "snakebit," and some people will swear they were brought into this world by Dr. Badluck.

Bad luck or misfortune has created many superstitions through the years, like breaking a mirror, walking under a ladder or having a black cat cross your path.

Many will say they don't believe in such things, but ever so often you know of a person who'll drive a block or so out of the way to miss a cat, or knock on a piece of wood as if in jest.

There is one person, though, who certainly seems to have had his share of misfortune. He's Bill Jowers of Monroe, La., a student at Arkansas State University. He also is a part-time radio announcer for KLCN at Blytheville.

The Jonesboro Sun said that Jowers was working the late shift at the radio station when his roommate called.

"Why are you calling me at this hour?" asked Jowers. "Got some bad news for

A SPECIAL MESSAGE FOR YOU!!!!!!  
From your theatre Manager

Last year we were criticized because we did not show "Who's Afraid of Virginia Wolfe" in Hope, because we felt it was unfit to show.

"Who were we to decide what you should see?" we were told. If we would inform the people the content of a story they would decide if they should see it or not.

Now comes another controversial film—"I, A Woman," banned in Memphis, the producers appealed to the Supreme Court, who ruled "Not obscene" and it returned and is now showing in two Memphis Theatres, and others. We are bringing "I, A Woman" for a SPECIAL SHOWING at the SAENGER THEATRE Starting Tuesday April 2. Our personal opinion of the picture does not count—the Supreme Court decided. We have seen the movie—it was well produced and well made in Sweden. If you are not shocked at its story content we feel you will be entertained by it. (This we could not say about Virginia Wolfe).

However—in our opinion NO PERSON UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE SHOULD SEE THIS FILM—SO ON THE SHOWING OF "I, A WOMAN" IF YOU ARE QUESTIONED YOU MUST SHOW PROOF OF AGE 18 OR OLDER BEFORE PURCHASING A TICKET.

Incidentally, our admission price will be just half of that charged to see it in Memphis and other large cities, Velda Seamans, Mgr. Saenger Theatre



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PARIS SETS THE PACE FOR SPRING—soft femininity. From Pierre Balmain comes the return to fitted jackets (left). Called "Filibuster," the fashion is styled with a long, straight skirt. Giscard Pipart for Nina Ricci offers the slender navy coat (center) cinched with a wide webbed belt and adds a striped jersey dress. The dress shows the over trend to the long torso look with pleated skirt. From the Lanvin collection is the sleeveless, belted top (right) over a ribbed turtleneck sweater and striped skirt. Several strands of necklaces add a new note to daytime wear.

## Television and Radio

By CYNTHIA LOWRY  
AP Television-Radio Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Nothing seen or heard on television in years came close to the drama and surprise of President Johnson's announcement at the conclusion of his speech on Vietnam Sunday.

The President, looking intensely serious and a bit drawn, announced he would not seek or accept the Democratic nomination for another term.

It caught all the network correspondents, including the White House reporters, flatfooted. While there were plenty of words tossed around to fill out the mid evening hour pre-empted by the President, the newsmen seemed reluctant to do much more than ask but not answer the questions in the mind of the average viewer.

What does the President's withdrawal mean to the other presidential hopefuls? Who will benefit? Who will be hurt? Will the enemy respond to his plan for de-escalation?

The speculation will start on the assorted news show tonight, and there will be, undoubtedly, a rash of news specials.

"The Lucy Show," now re-

"you," replied the caller. "Our apartment burned tonight and nothing but charred walls is left."

Earlier in the year, Jowers bought a small foreign car and was driving along the highway one day when the hood blew up and crashed through the windshield. Fortunately, he was not injured.

Shortly after that, a motorist hit Jowers' car, causing serious damage to the automobile, and that left him without transportation to his job for several days.

After that, he was driving to work during a snowfall and a tractor-trailer rig approached. A combination of wind and a gust from the truck blew his car off the road.

While working at the radio station, Jowers announces Blytheville athletic events. He recently was presented a sport jacket by the team and coach.

The privilege of wearing the jacket, however, carried with it another distinction. Every time the team won, Jowers was thrown into the showers.

peating programs shown earlier this season, will not return to CBS. Lucille Ball will be back, starring in a comedy series in the same Monday night half hour, but some drastic changes will occur over the summer.

When Miss Ball returns next September, it will no longer be as Lucy Carmichael. She will be Lucy Carter, widow with two children. And the children will be her own—Lucie, 17, and Desi Arnaz Jr., 15. Gale Gordon will no longer be Mr. Mooney, the banker, but Uncle Charlie, and Lucy will still be working for him although no longer in a bank.

The change, Miss Ball explained, comes partly because certain rights to the old property have expired, but mostly because she thought it would be good for the show to change things around a bit. And she also wanted to get her two teenagers into the act.

"We've even got to find another name for the series," she said. "I've got an idea or two but I'm not sure yet. Besides, I really don't think that we're going to make a really big fuss about the changes. If people like it, they won't care whether I'm, Lucy Ricardo, Lucy Carmichael or Lucy Carter."

These "apparitions" have now started in our neighborhood and they're giving the police and firemen fits. I wish you'd tell parents everywhere that they are against the law because wherever a fire balloon lights, it might start a fire.—UPSET

Not long ago one of those eerie balloons landed on our roof. Luckily, a neighbor spotted the blaze and prevented a major fire.

Building and sailing such ingenious gadgets is fun, true, but the builder risks a command performance at Juve. And his folks risk a damage suit that could ruin them.

Any act which creates a fire hazard is against the law. Parents are responsible for children's unlawful acts. Need I say more?—H.

Dear Helen: A certain man and I eat lunch together every day. We discuss our problems and enjoy each other's company. Sometimes he drives me home and stops by my apartment but mostly we are office buddies.

Helen, I feel terrible because I get the impression he no longer feels like just a brother to me. I'm all the more surprised because he is married. Should I cool it?—FRANCIS

Dear Francis: Yes, cool it! Whether you spell your name with an 'P' or an 'E' this guy spells trouble.—H.

Dear Helen: I have a very good friend I've known for two years. I drive 60 miles once a week to visit her. I take her to lunch, after which we window shop and talk.

Her husband always seems

COSTUMED PRINCESS  
Grace of Monaco, former actress Grace Kelly, attends a masquerade ball in Monte Carlo dressed as a turn-of-the-century belle.

SUNNY ONE-ROOM APARTMENT has clean, uncluttered look through use of monochromatic scheme based on pineapple yellow. Sleep-sofas cushioned in latex foam rubber and covered with yellow chenille velvet provide comfortable sitting and sleeping in minimum of space. Desk-table with roll-out ottomans (left) also add to compactness of setting. Clay potted plants on small terrace extend space to small outdoor terrace.

for the  
"FUN-  
of it"

By JIM CROSSLEY

As they say in the ads, "Life needn't be dull and uninteresting."

As they don't specify in the ads, the difference is a good job of 220-volt determination.

At this very moment on the West Coast, a corps of enterprising women is bringing the year to its annual climax. The Footlighters are taking pleasure in a mutual hobby and, at the same time, perspiring raising \$30,000 a year toward a clinic for the child guidance clinic of Hollywood Presbyterian Hospital.

Through the other months, they serve the clinic in many ways. They clean playrooms, type, do research. Then their major effort comes in the spring. Combining their talents, they stage a sprightly annual cabaret show at a downtown hotel.

Their talents are many, because show business is the spice of their lives. Among them are former dancers, actresses, radio-TV writers and show beauties. In their present roles as mothers and homemakers, this activity gives them the opportunity for sweet echoes of their former careers.

With the rehearsals, the script and song writing, scenery building, ticket selling and myriad tasks, their lives are far from dull and uninteresting. Their husbands, families and friends are all engrossed in the high tide of effort.

In 1939, the original group was formed, committed to raise \$25 a month for a children's hospital.

It took years of determination to reach the present pinnacle of usefulness. From 1958 to 1961 alone, their energy resulted in the construction of the present \$150,000 clinic building.

Prospective members are not encouraged unless the group is convinced they really mean to work. Perhaps that is the key to the Footlighters' success.

These California people brought developed talents into the enterprise. The annual

show is very professional. In an Ohio city, on the other hand, a group of elderly people got enmeshed in a useful project and all they had to offer was perseverance.

Their neighborhood was a poor one. The confusion of modern living, they noticed, had a good many perplexed, fellow citizens wandering around with questions to ask. Getting answers was so baffling that many lapsed into cynicism or apathy.

The handful banded together for one purpose. They were willing to give their time and any knowledge they had, helping their neighbors digest their confusion by getting their questions answered.

It wasn't that they tried to provide the answers. They merely laid a paper trail through the maze of bureaus, offices and regulations, leading to that one desk where the question could be answered.

It was that simple. There was no charge. It was a case of brotherly help.

Eventually, it snowballed into an unoccupied street-level store building which they kept open and staffed. Under their proud sign, "Community Center," someone sat ready to tackle any such puzzle.

For miles around, the community knows that if they bump head-on into city hall, the welfare, the tax man, the utilities, the U.S. government, or any other hunk of machinery that clutter up the aisles of our private lives, there was only one place to go.

There they'd get the man's name—a human being—at the right address, who could answer their questions.

Nothing very dull about that project, either.

(Newspaper Enterprise Assn.)

## Steam Irons

At least once a month, you should clean out the mineral accumulated in your steam iron. Fill the iron with water, to which you have added a water conditioner. Set control to cotton. When it begins to steam, shake gently to circulate. Keep the solution in the hot iron for 10-20 minutes.

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## OPENING

Tuesday, April 2

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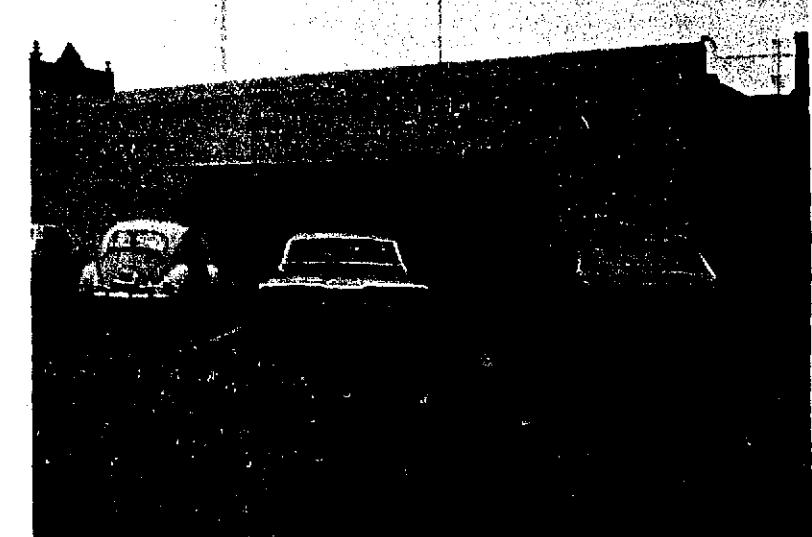
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# Hope Star SPORTS

## 76ers Have Managed to Hang on

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS  
The depicted Philadelphia 76ers have managed to hang onto their five starters, but they had to replace their sparkplug to get moving against the New York Knicks.

Johnny Green, 34 years old and without a playoff game in his National Basketball Association career until nine days ago, provided the spark Sunday as the 76ers ran over the Knicks 123-105 in Philadelphia.

Filling in for hot-shot sixth man Billy Cunningham, who is out with a broken wrist, Green fanned a third quarter rally with five points and six rebounds for a 92-80 lead, and the 76ers never looked back.

The victory put the injury-riddled world champion 76ers up 3-2 in this best-of-7 Eastern Division semifinal series with a chance to wrap it up tonight in New York.

"We're in the driver's seat now," said 76er Coach Alex Hannum.

Boston, expected to meet Philadelphia in the division final playoff after finishing second to the 76ers in regular season play, stood by its old standbys for a similar decisive third quarter that downed Detroit 110-96 in Boston.

The Celtics, also taking a 3-2 lead, can clinch their series in Detroit tonight.

The St. Louis Hawks, their backs against the wall at the Washington University Field House in St. Louis, rebounded to a 129-103 rout over San Francisco and sent that Western Division semifinal back to San Francisco Tuesday night.

The Warriors, who finished 13 games behind the Hawks in regular season play, still hold a 3-2 lead.

"Favored" Los Angeles did not let Chicago off the hook and won their set, 4-1, by crushing the Bulls 122-99 Sunday night in Los Angeles.

In the American Basketball Association, Denver evened its best-of-5 semifinal series at 2-2 by beating New Orleans 108-100.

Green, who has bounded around the NBA for nine years and came to the 76ers from San Diego in January, got nine points to help Philadelphia to a 56-all halftime tie. Playing with an injury — a dislocated finger — like four of the 76er starters, he finished with 16 points and 11 rebounds.

"I realize I have to make some contribution like Billy has been making," he said, calling Sunday's contribution his greatest.

### Basketball

Pro Basketball Results  
By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NBA SEMIFINALS

Saturday's Result

Eastern Division  
New York 107, Philadelphia 98, best-of-7 series tied 2-2

Sunday's Result

Eastern Division  
Philadelphia 123, New York 105, Philadelphia leads best-of-7 series 3-2

Boston 110, Detroit 96, Boston leads best-of-7 series 3-2

Western Division

St. Louis 129, San Francisco 103, San Francisco leads best-of-7 series 3-2

Los Angeles 122, Chicago 99, Los Angeles wins best-of-7 series 4-1

Monday's Games

Eastern Division

Boston at Detroit

Philadelphia at New York

Tuesday's Game

Western Division

St. Louis at San Francisco

ABA

Saturday's Results

Eastern Division

Minnesota 114, Kentucky 108, Minnesota wins best-of-5 series, 3-2

Western Division

Denver 105, New Orleans 98, New Orleans leads best-of-5 series 2-1

Sunday's Result

Western Division

Denver 108, New Orleans 100, best-of-5 series tied 2-2

Monday's Games

Western Division

Denver at New Orleans

No games scheduled

Tuesday's Game

Western Division

Denver at New Orleans

est thrill.

Hal Greer led Philadelphia with 38 points while Cazzie Russell had 31 for the Knicks.

Bailey Howell, Sam Jones and John Havlicek lit the fuse under Boston as the Celtics turned an eight-point deficit early in the third period into an 83-80 lead entering the fourth. Detroit never caught up.

St. Louis zoomed to a 17-point first quarter lead and San Francisco never got closer than 10 as Bill Bridges scored 28 points and Lou Hudson 26 for the Hawks.

**Fights Last Night**

Weekend Fights

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

TOKYO — Hiroshi Kobayashi, 129, Japan, drew with Ren Barrientos, 130, Philippines, 15 and retained world junior lightweight title.

MEXICO CITY — Jose Jimenez, Mexico, stopped Johnny Janito, Philippines, featherweights, 5.

JAUREZ, Mexico-Jesus Castillo, 118, Mexico City, outpointed Fujio Nakane, 118, Japan, 12.

## Senators Hard on Nat'l Loop

By DICK COUCH  
Associated Press Sports Writer

The National League has parted company with the Washington Senators. It's the best thing that's happened to the National League all spring.

Washington pushed over an unearned run in the eighth inning Sunday and edged the Houston Astros 3-2, completing an 11-game exhibition sweep over National League opposition.

The victory gave the Senators an over-all record of 15-5—best in the exhibition circuit.

Bernie Allen singled in the eighth, moved around to third on two infield outs and scored the winning run on one of three errors committed by Hector Torres, the Astros' rookie shortstop. Ken McMullen delivered the other Washington runs with a homer and sacrifice fly.

Brooks Robinson, Baltimore's All-star third baseman, was hit below the left ear by a Steve Blass pitch in the fifth inning of Pittsburgh's 3-1 victory over the Orioles. Robinson, who was wearing an ear flap on his batting helmet, escaped serious injury but will miss tonight's game against the Senators.

Cincinnati pounded the New York Yankees 8-2, scoring seven runs off Mel Stottlemyre in the first three innings. Mel Queen, who blanked New York on two hits through five frames, was the winner.

Tommy Davis' three-run homer and the shutout pitching of Bob Fiddry, Bob Locker, Wilbur Wood and Don McMahon led the Chicago White Sox to a 6-0 victory over Philadelphia, ending the Phils' winning streak at five games.

The Blues, meanwhile, trimmed Minnesota 5-3 and beat out the North Stars for third place in the West Division—the last spot up for grabs in the expanded 12-team circuit.

In other series finales, New York lopped Montreal's East Division champs 4-2; Pittsburgh flattened Philadelphia's expansion West Division titlists 5-1; and Toronto downed Boston 4-1.

Sunday's action brought the curtain down on the 74-game regular schedule and set up the following pairings for Thursday night's openers in the Stanley Cup playoff quarter-finals:

East Division—Boston at Montreal; Chicago at New York.

West Division—St. Louis at Philadelphia; Minnesota at Los Angeles.

Mikita, whose 97 points last season matched the all-time record set by teammate Bobby Hull in 1965-66, finished with 87 Sunday night, staving off late challenges by Boston's Phil Esposito and Detroit marvel Gordie Howe.

Esposito scored his 38th goal in Sunday night's loss to Toronto and took runnerup honors with 84 points. Howe, who celebrated his 40th birthday in the last game of his 22nd NHL season, settled for a single assist and wound up third with 82 points.

The scoring crown will net Mikita a \$1,000 league bonus.

New York's two-goal margin over the Canadiens gave Ranger goalie Ed Giacomin a \$250 prize for the best goals-against mark in the second half of the season. Montreal's Rogatian Vachon and Gump Worsley had nailed the Vezina Trophy with the lowest over-all yield and had a one-goal second half edge over Giacomin going into the game.

But Phil Goyette and Camille Henry beat Vachon in the third period, enabling Giacomin to nip the Montreal duo by one goal as the second place Rangers completed their finest season in the last 10, four points behind the pennant-winning Canadiens.

Third period goals by Frank St. Marseille, Red Berenson and Terry Crisp carried St. Louis past Minnesota for a weekend sweep over the North Stars. The Blues finished with 70 points, one more than Minnesota, two less than second place Los Angeles and three off Philadelphia's pace.

It was Emerson's last appearance as an amateur. Today in Los Angeles he is slated to sign a pro contract guaranteeing him \$100,000 a year for three years.

The women's title went to Nancy Ritchey of San Angelo, Tex., who defeated Judy Tegart of Australia 7-5, 7-5. The little Texas girl scored a smashing upset in the semifinal over world amateur queen Billie Jean King of Long Beach, Calif., who also signs a pro contract today for a guaranteed \$80,000 over two years.

Shortly before the players took the court for the Garden final, the ILTF in Paris approved a limited number of open tournaments and decided on three categories of players.

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### Baseball

Exhibition Baseball  
By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Sunday's Results

Atlanta 2, New York, N. 0

Cincinnati 8, New York, A, 2

Washington 3, Houston 2

Chicago, A, 6, Philadelphia 0

Pittsburgh 3, Baltimore 1

Detroit 6, St. Louis 5

Cleveland 'B' 9, Chicago, N, 2

Minnesota 3, Boston 2

Los Angeles 9, San Francisco 7

California 6, Cleveland 5

Tuesday's Games

Cincinnati vs. Houston at Co-  
cina, Fla.

New York, N, vs. St. Louis at  
St. Petersburg, Fla., night.

Philadelphia vs. Minnesota at  
Orlando, Fla.

Pittsburgh vs. Oakland at  
Fort Myers, Fla.

Los Angeles vs. Chicago, N,  
at Scottsdale, Ariz.

San Francisco vs. Cleveland  
at Tucson, Ariz.

Boston vs. Washington at  
Pompano Beach, Fla.

Chicago, A, vs. Detroit at Sar-  
asco, Fla.

New York, A, vs. Baltimore at  
Fort Lauderdale, Fla., night.

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National Junior College Athletic

Association and the Armed  
Forces, will practice today

through Wednesday. They will

play three games each in a

round-robin competition in the

Olympic selection tournament

Thursday through Saturday.

The Olympic team of 12 and

six alternates is expected to be

announced Sunday.

Iba made his remarks Saturday

after the West beat the East

95-88 in the annual college all-

star game held this year in con-

nection with the Olympic pre-

trials.

Both teams, along with the

Central and College Division

teams of the National Collegiate

Athletic Association, which also

worked out here last week, went

to Albuquerque, N.M., Sunday.

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Monday, April 1, 1968

## Results in Bowling Tournament

Results Men's Eighth Annual  
Bowling Tournament

TEAM: Standard Automotive  
Components 3099; "Thursday  
night-off" 2986; Hope Beverage  
2950; Coca Cola 2893.

SINGLE: J. Langston 676;  
J. O'Neal 670; D. Ross 647;  
R. Anthony 611; G. Fravell  
608; J. McClelland 606; H.  
Ellis 602.

DOUBLES: D. Ross - A. Bos-  
well 1324; H. Jones - L. Boat-  
man 1289; H. Ellis - B. Reynolds  
1251; J. Langston - D.  
Langston 1225.

ALL EVENTS - HANDICAP:  
D. Ross 1934; J. Langston  
1877; R. Ivers 1865.

ALL EVENTS - SCRATCH:  
Gene Fravell 1751.



## Highlights of Address to Nation

WASHINGTON (AP) — Here are highlights of President Johnson's address to the nation Sunday night:

With America's sons in the fields far away, with America's future under challenge right here at home, with our hopes and the world's hopes for peace in the balance every day, I do not believe that I should devote an hour or a day of my time to any personal partisan causes or to any duties other than the awesome duties of this office.

I shall not seek and will not accept the nomination of my party for another term as your President.

Tonight, in the hope that this action will lead to early talks, I am taking a first step to de-escalate the conflict. We are reducing—substantially reducing—the present level of hostilities. And we are doing so unilaterally, and at once.

Tonight, I have ordered our aircraft and our naval vessels to make no attacks on North Vietnam, except in the area north of the Demilitarized Zone where the continued enemy buildup directly threatens allied forward positions and where the movements of their troops and supplies are clearly related to that threat.

Even this very limited bombing of the north could come to an early end—if our restraint is matched by restraint in Hanoi.

But I cannot in good conscience stop all bombing so long as to do so would immediately and directly endanger the lives of our men and our allies.

Tonight, I call upon the United Kingdom and I call upon the Soviet Union—as co-chairmen of the Geneva Conference, and as permanent members of the United Nations Security Council—to do all they can to move from the unilateral act of de-escalation that I have just announced toward genuine peace in Southeast Asia.

I call upon President Ho Chi Minh to respond positively, and favorably, to this new step toward peace.

But if peace does not come now through negotiations, it will come when Hanoi understands that our common resolve is unshakable, and our common strength is invincible.

The United States will never accept a fake solution to this long and arduous struggle and call it peace.

I cannot promise that the initiative I have announced tonight will be completely successful in achieving peace any more than the more than 30 others we have undertaken and agreed to in recent years.

Tonight I have offered the first in what I hope will be a series of mutual moves toward peace.

Tonight I pray that they will accept it as a means by which the sacrifices of their own people may be ended.

And I ask your help and your support, my fellow citizens, for this effort to reach across the battlefield toward an early peace.

Tonight we face the sharpest financial threat in the post war era—A threat to the dollar's role as the keystone of international trade and finance in the world.

One thing is unmistakably clear, however: our deficit just must be reduced. Failure to act could bring on conditions that would strike hardest at those people that all of us are trying so hard to help.

And Premier Nguyen Van Loc all declined to comment. There was a flurry of activity at Independence Palace as Thieu met with his chief advisers.

The GIs' responses to Johnson's withdrawal from the presidential race generally depended on political leanings. But some took the position of an Air Force pilot who said: "I don't believe anyone coming in cold will have the experience or knowledge of events or that a new man stepping into office will be as well prepared as Johnson is at this own stocks to meet the demand."

"I don't blame him," said an infantry sergeant on his second tour in Vietnam. "He did the best job he knew how. It has been rough on him and all he got for it was a kick in the head."

Sgt. John Archer of Mil-  
den, Mass., said: "Johnson is about the only one of the politi-  
cians who doesn't want to pull  
our troops out altogether. The  
Kennedys and the rest do. I  
think it's a great mistake that  
he's not seeking re-election."

A young Vietnamese lieutenant,  
however, said he felt a new  
man in the White House would  
help to end the war.

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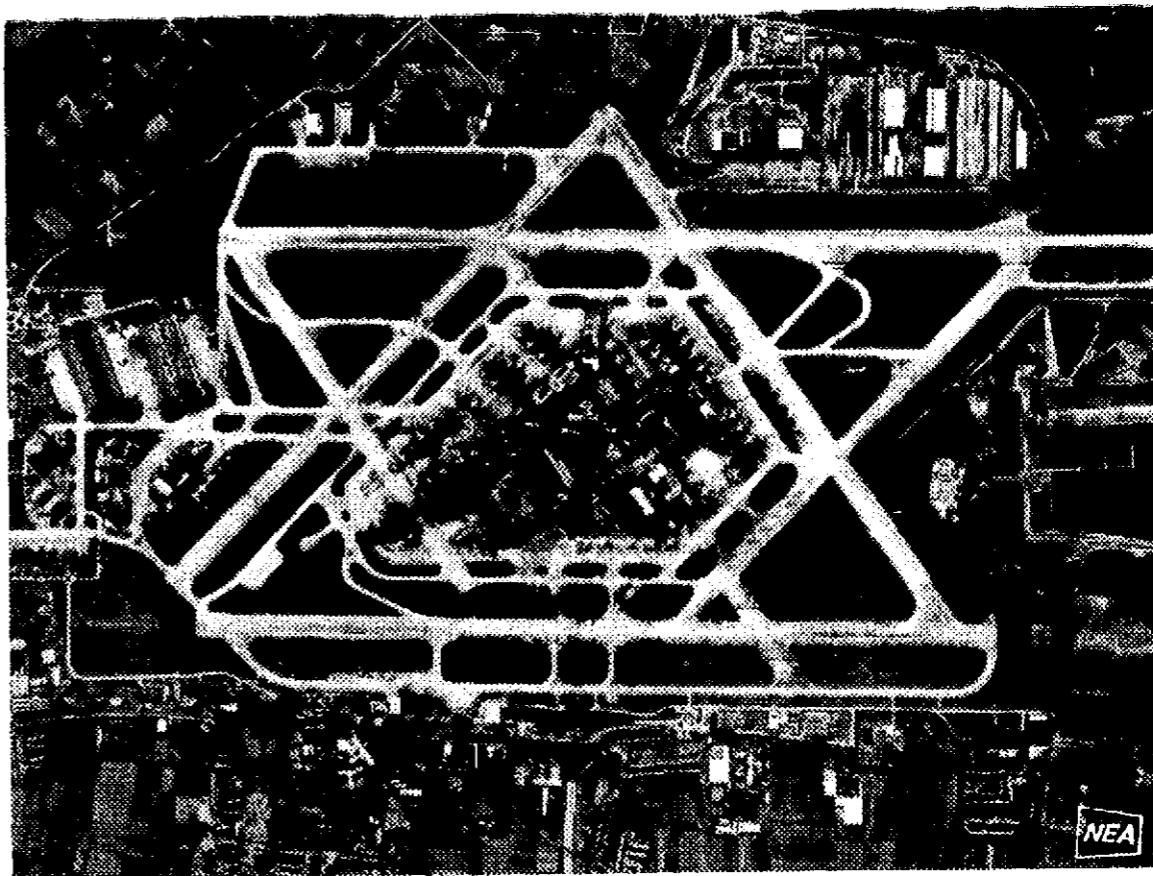
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WRITING A STORY ABOUT  
ALL OF THE ACHIEVEMENTS  
IVE MADE DURING MY TIME

GATEWAY to London, not Tel Aviv, is the Heathrow Airport, whose runways form a nearly perfect six-pointed star. Photo was made from an altitude of 12,500 feet.

## Political Candidates

The Star is authorized to an-  
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is caused chiefly by the pollen  
of ragweed, according to the  
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## THE WELL CHILD ®

### It's Important to Check Preschool Child's Eyes

By WAYNE G. BRANDSTADT, M.D.

The newborn child sees with  
only one eye at a time. He  
begins to focus both eyes on  
an object to get a fused image  
at about six months of age.When he fails to fuse the two  
images, his brain learns to  
disregard the image from the  
weaker eye and see only that  
of the dominant eye. When  
this happens, the weaker eye  
becomes amblyopic or blind,  
due to atrophy of disuse.Oswald: "The basic play for  
the overtrick is to see if clubs  
break. If each opponent holds  
three clubs, South's fourth  
club becomes the 13th trick.  
If not, there must be some  
squeeze possibility since  
either dummy's fourth dia-  
mond or South's own third  
heart becomes a potential  
squeeze card."Jim: "That is the base of  
all squeezes. You can't make  
all the tricks without exerting  
pressure. You exert the  
pressure and the squeeze  
operates."Oswald: "This hand is set  
up as a simple one-way  
squeeze against East. South  
wins the heart opening and  
runs off four spade tricks. He  
throws a small heart from  
dummy. West lets a heart go  
also, as does East. Then  
South leads a second heart  
to his hand and East is  
squeezed. He has to throw  
away a club or a diamond and  
either discard gives South his  
13th trick."Jim: "This hand represents  
a three-suit squeeze situation.  
Take West's four of hearts and  
trade it for East's five of dia-  
monds. Now the four spade  
leads and two heart leads  
won't bother East because he  
could only stop clubs anyway.  
West won't be bothered up to  
that point, but South will  
squeeze West when he leads  
out dummy's three top clubs.  
West will be forced to throw a  
diamond or his last heart.  
Either discard will give South  
the 13th trick."To test the vision in pre-  
school children, an eye chart  
with no letter but E is used.  
The Es point up, down, left  
and right, and the child, wear-  
ing a pirate patch over one  
eye, is asked in what direc-  
tion the "three legs of the  
tables" on the chart point.If one eye is much weaker  
than the other, corrective mea-  
sures should be started at once.  
Depending on the nature of the  
trouble, glasses, eye exercises

(Newspaper Enterprise Assn.)

## WORLD ALMANAC FACTS



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A Wind Chill Table in  
The World Almanac shows  
that if the temperature is  
25 degrees and the wind is  
blowing at 20 miles per  
hour, the effect on the  
human body is the same as  
4 below zero with no wind.  
Likewise, 35 degrees, in a  
40-mile wind, has the same  
chilling effect as 1 above  
zero, and minus 45 in a  
40-mile wind feels like 128  
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Faye Clark Powell  
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## International

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1 French —  
(secret departure)  
6 Siberian river  
7 Decomposes  
8 Greek letter  
9 Muslim man's  
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10 Cardinal  
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12 Artist living  
unconventionally  
13 Poetic meter  
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19 "Emerald Isle"  
21 Gringo's high  
22 Receptacle  
23 Feathered scarf  
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7 Dutch —  
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11 Incompetent  
12 Boring near  
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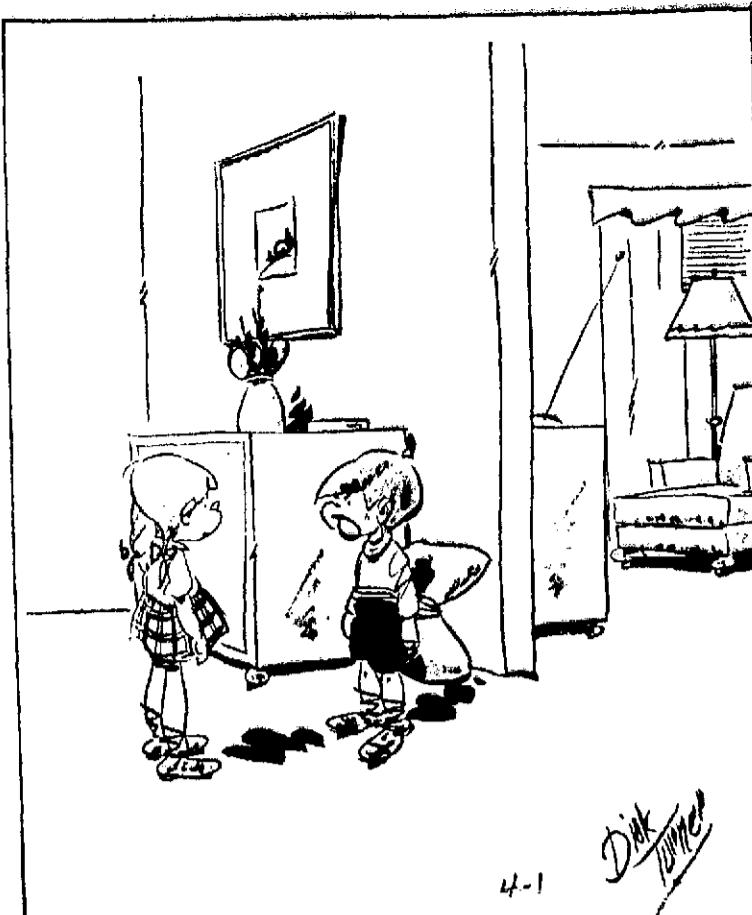


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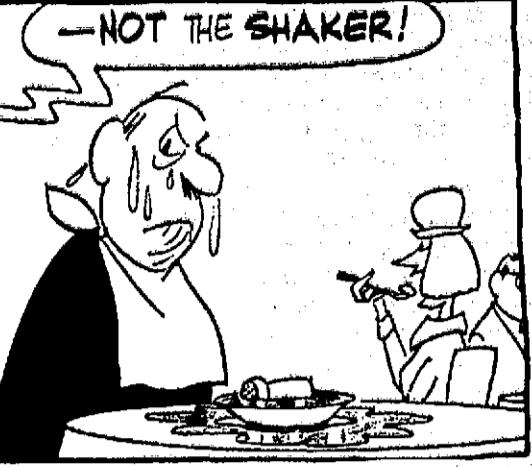


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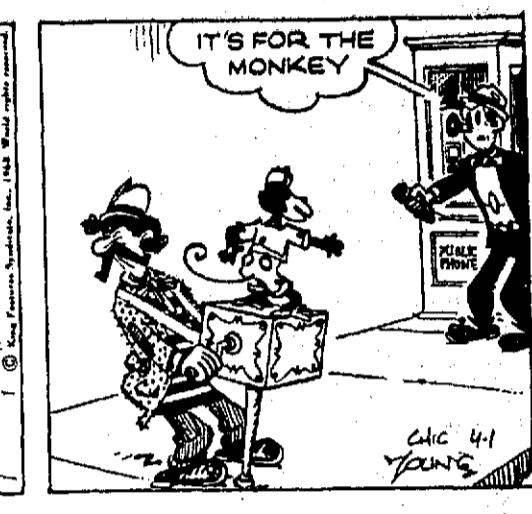
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A—This is because its six points represent the six days of creation. The star is formed by two equilateral triangles. Sometimes they are interwoven and sometimes one is imposed on the other with the points in the opposite direction.

Q—which is the most numerous Protestant body in the United States?

A—The Baptist body, with over 23,812,000 members.



By CHIC YOUNG

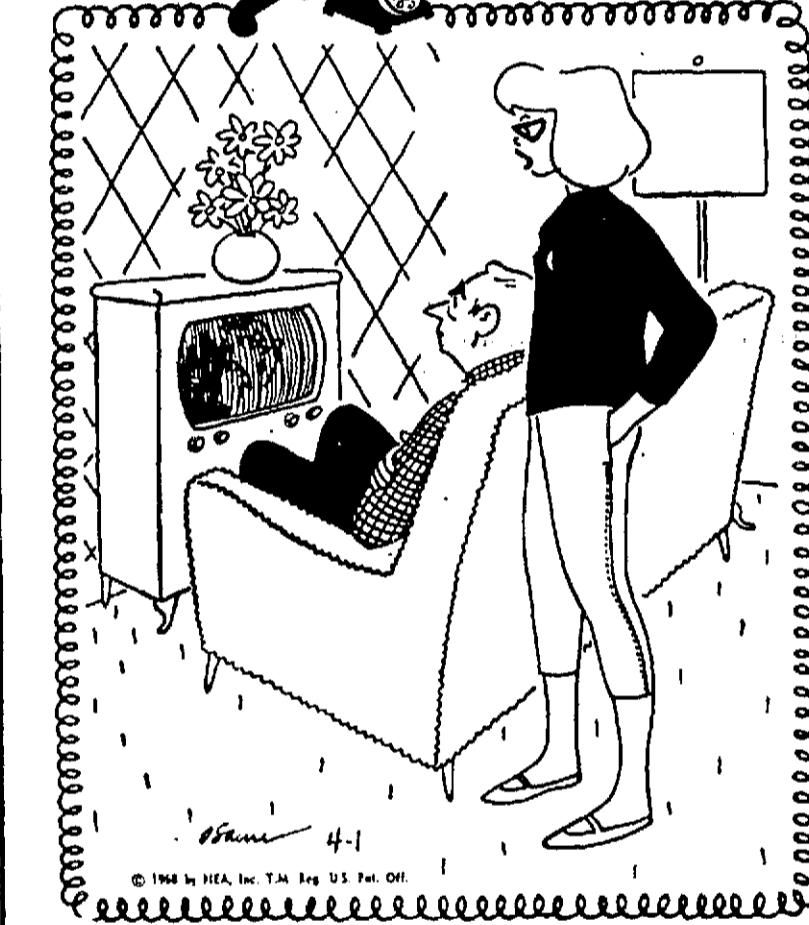
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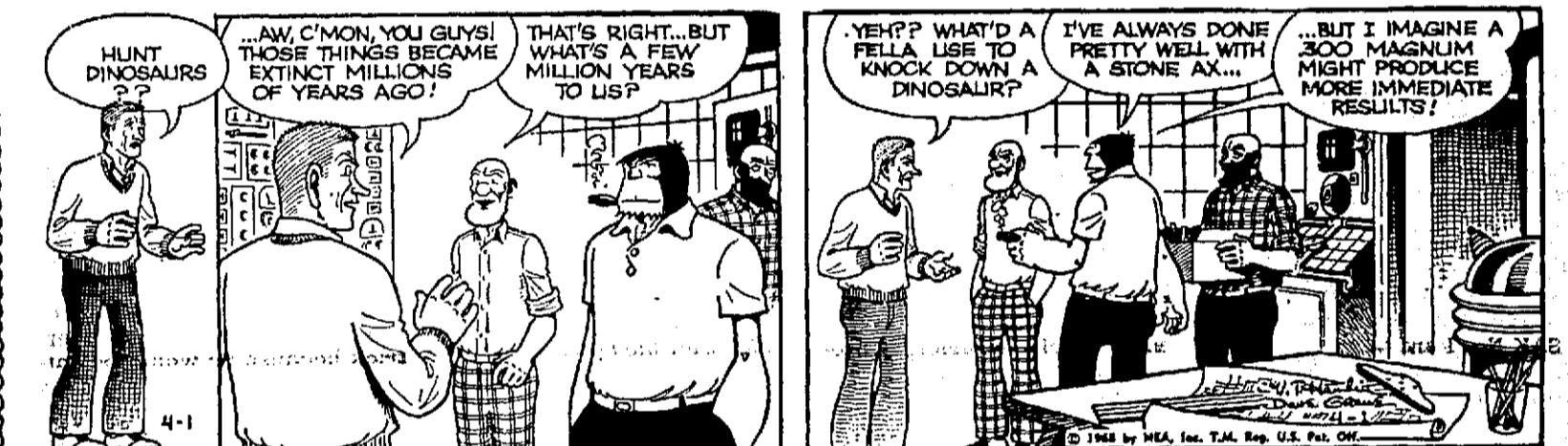


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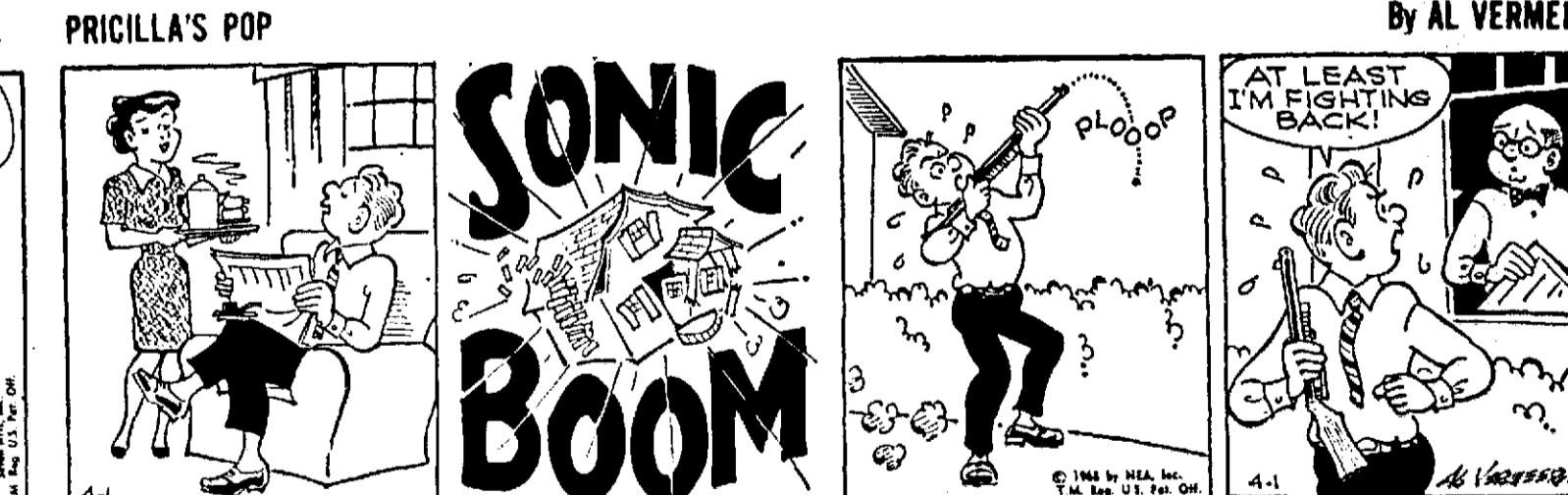


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## BUGS BUNNY



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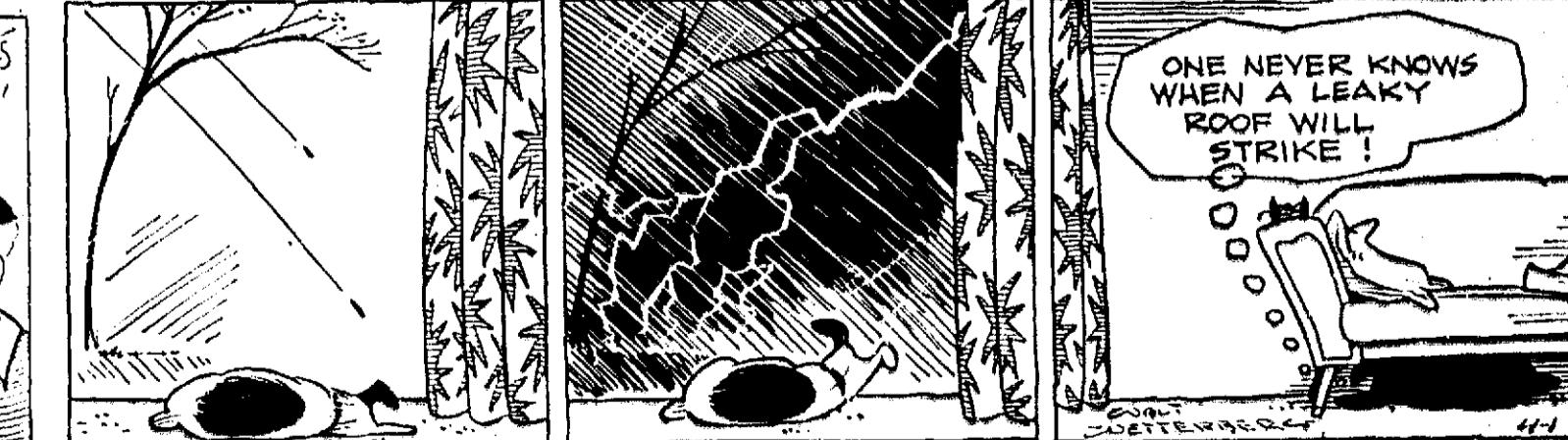


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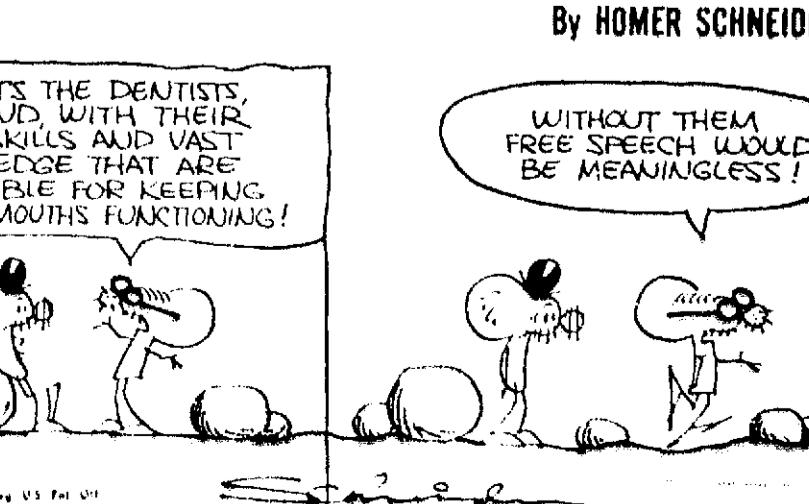


## PRICILLA'S POP



By WALT WETTERBERG

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## Page Eight Turning Point for LBJ Was in November

By DOUGLAS B. CORNELL  
Associated Press Writer  
WASHINGTON (AP) — President Johnson eased his six-foot-three frame into a maroon chair and said: "I guess the turning point was probably last November."

For some time Johnson had been tossing around in his mind and talking over with close friends and associates who could keep his secret—the possibility of renouncing the run for another presidential term.

He had even come close to making the stunning announcement that finally came Sunday night when he delivered his State of the Union message to Congress last Jan. 17.

But with so many more messages on particular phases of his program still on tap, he decided the timing was improper.

So it was not until the last day or two that the President made the final, definite decision against seeking or accepting nomination for a second full term.

His family knew his intention and had what Mrs. Johnson later described as mixed feelings about it. But not many other people did, particularly as to the timing.

Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey had an inkling. So did Secretary of State Dean Rusk, Secretary of Defense Clark M. Clifford, and Clifford's predecessor, Robert S. McNamara.

The President said he talked with his vice president Sunday morning about what he was considering but didn't tell him he

## Youth Beat<sup>®</sup>

THE NATIONAL REPORT ON WHAT'S HAPPENING

**Hippie Yippie:** So-called Youth International Party announces huge invasion of Chicago next summer to coincide with Democratic convention. Causing concern among serious antiwar groups and black power people who want to grab the headlines. The "Hippie Yippie" gang has predicted a "supercreative synthesis, energy explosion and information exchange!" They are trying to link underground newspapers in a giant special edition. They talk of cars painted like cabs to hijack convention delegates. They talk of pot-boilers like LSDer Timothy Leary, poet Allen Ginsberg, Dick Gregory, Bob Dylan, the Jefferson Airplane, Country Joe and the Fish, Arlo Guthrie, The Mamas and The Papas, plus dozens more "names" of the rock generation. Talk, talk, talk. The roads will be full of hitchhikers if the Hippie Yippies have their way-say-day. Meanwhile, as Chicago fretfully girds for the long, hot summer, the Demo convention city officials hope the Hippie Yippies stay on a talk gag.

**INSIDE TWIGGY:** She's changed her mind! Twiggy, sick and looking giggly, has decided to have a "real slam" at the movies. Busily growing long hair (what! no hairpiece), she's being touted by her boy friend-manager, Justin de Villeneuve, "the biggest thing ever." The Beatles are backing the film, "The Wishing Tree." The story is based upon a Faulkner fairytale. The girl (Dulcie) can't decide if she's 12 or 20. Being billed as "a classic for kids," "The Wishing Tree" could be the year's top comedy.

**300-MILLION AMERICANS BY YEAR 2000?** By 1975 we may have population of 225-million. A birth is recorded every 8½ seconds; a death every 17 seconds. Result: A net gain in total population every 14½ seconds. An immigrant arrives every 60 seconds; an emigrant departs every 23 minutes. All of the above despite the decline of the birthrate for nine straight years despite increasing number of marriages. However, projections do make 300-million a feasible figure for the year 2000!

**Fashion Note:** Menswear Institute is plugging GANGSTER STRIPES AND SHAPE for late spring!!! Should put out a booklet "How to Look Like a Hoodlum." Another menswear gem—"The Meditation Look"—guru shirts, Nehru jackets, beads, amulets and other accoutrements worn by the faltering Maharishi!!!

**PIT STOP:** Coca Cola and Petersen Publishing Company producing flashy Drive Ed film for high school use next fall. The works: top drivers, new cars, classic cars, racing cars. A large contest with no less than eight new Buicks as principal prizes. Motorists will see a ton of checkered decals on bumpers in fall of 1968. The insignia says "Pit Stop." Program has blessing of National Safety Council.

**LEARY WEARY—NOW LEERY:** Dr. Allan Cohen, early LSD-digging disciple of Dr. Timothy Leary, turned off some years ago. Life's work now? As a counselor at University of California at Berkeley and in most free hours he advises trippers to shake drug scene—claims it's big bad bag—the worst way of all to seek one's identity.

**Lady Dentists:** Scarce as Hen's Teeth: Only 55 women students have received dental degrees at University of Southern California's School of Dentistry since it opened in 1897. Why? Tradition alone since elsewhere in world 75 per cent of women are dentists. Teen girls urged to check out dentistry—it isn't all that difficult and it's very lucrative.

**TEEN GUIDE BOOK:** Fullerton, California's Commission on Youth recently published a "Guide for Parents and Youth" and gave a copy to all students in grades six through 12 in the school district. Pamphlet covers curfew hours, recommended dating procedures and contained data about drugs. Teens laughed heartily through section telling high school seniors to be home from supervised activities by 8:30 on week nights; also loved the part that quaintly advised all teens below 10th grade to avoid any form of pairing off. Many teens and some parents resent being told what to do—consider idea of book an insult. To others, it's a godsend. Will it start a trend?

—By Robert MacLeod  
Editor, 'Teen Magazine'

## Rockefeller May Return to the Scene

By REILMAN MORIN  
AP Special Correspondent  
NEW YORK (AP) — A top-ranking aide to Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller of New York said Sunday night, "The governor has no immediate comment" on President Johnson's announcement that he will not seek reelection in November.

He stressed the word "immediate."

The source would not go so

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far as to say that Rockefeller may be reassessing the position he stated on March 21 when he said, "I have decided to reiterate unequivocally that I am not a candidate ... for the presidency of the United States."

In spite of this disavowal, Rockefeller remains a factor in the contest for the GOP nomination for president. Draft-Rockefeller groups have not disbanded in the states where they organized before he stated his position. It appeared likely that they would redouble their efforts on his behalf in the wake of Johnson's announcement.

GOP leaders expressed the

opinion that, as one put it, "The favorite sons all over the country will be rethinking their positions now."

These favorite sons included Govs. Ronald Reagan of California, James Rhodes of Ohio, Raymond P. Shafer of Pennsylvania, and possibly Sen. Charles Percy of Illinois.

"Nobody knows yet who we're going to be battling in November," a Republican professional said. "I don't think it will be (Vice President Hubert) Humphrey. Bobby (Kennedy) would eat him for breakfast."

Richard M. Nixon is the ac-

knowledged front-runner for the

Republican nomination. He said Sunday, "Don't down-grade Vice President Humphrey." But Nixon said he wanted to "study the text of the President's remarks before I comment on them."

Rockefeller, potentially, is a strong challenger to Nixon for the nomination. He has demonstrated in New York state—where the Republicans are the minority party, as they are nationally—that he can pull votes from Democrats and independents. He is serving his third term as governor.

On the basis of the New Hampshire primary, Nixon's

aides said he, too, had drawn heavily from these same groups. His office issued an analysis of that election making two significant points. It said:

1. "A record number of independent voters chose the Republican ballot and cast their vote for Richard Nixon."

2. "Mr. Nixon received four times as many Democratic write-in votes as Bobby Kennedy."

Rockefeller has not fully defined his position on the issue of Vietnam. He did say in his March 21 statement, "I think that our concepts as a nation and that our actions have not

kept pace with the changing conditions. And therefore our actions are not completely relevant today to the realities of the magnitude, and the complexity, of the problems that we face."

Nixon is advocating the "hard" line on Vietnam. He says the U.S. should not invade North Vietnam or use nuclear weapons but he believes pressure should be kept on Hanoi until the North Vietnamese agree to negotiate.

Rockefeller disagrees with Nixon on civil rights and, specifically, on the question of disorders stemming from that prob-

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**RFK Asks  
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NEW YORK (AP)—Sen. Robert F. Kennedy, D-N.Y., said today he has asked President Johnson for a meeting soon in the light of the chief executive's

withdrawal from the presidential race.

In his first comment since Sunday night's announcement by Johnson, Kennedy said he had praised the President for "subordinating self to country."

Kennedy told a crowded news conference that "I sincerely hope," Johnson's new move for peace in Vietnam will succeed.

The junior senator from New

York said he had dispatched his telegram asking for a meeting with the President shortly Johnson's withdrawal announcement went on.

Kennedy, propelled into the forefront of the race for the Democratic presidential nomination less than three weeks after his entry, returned Sunday night from an extended campaign trip in the west.

"I will continue my campaign for the presidency of the United States," Kennedy said in concluding his news conference statement.

"I'm going to the American people as I have and present my

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 City of Hope, Arkansas:

We have examined the following financial statements of the City of Hope, Arkansas as of December 31, 1967 and for the year then ended:

Combined Receipts and Disbursements  
 General Fund Receipts and Disbursements  
 Health Department Fund Receipts and Disbursements  
 Airport Fund Receipts and Disbursements  
 Street Fund Receipts and Disbursements  
 Sewer Revenue Bond Fund Receipts and Disbursements  
 Sewer Construction Fund Receipts and Disbursements  
 Sewer Revenue Bond Fund Balance Sheet  
 Firemen's Pension Fund Receipts and Disbursements

Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the above mentioned statements present fairly the cash position of the City of Hope, Arkansas at December 31, 1967 and the results of its recorded cash transactions for the year then ended, on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year. The current year's supplementary data included in Schedules 1-10 have been subjected to the same auditing procedures and, in our opinion, are stated fairly in all material respects when considered in conjunction with the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

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January 8, 1968

## City Of Hope, Arkansas

### Combined Receipts and Disbursements

Year ended December 31, 1967  
 with comparative figures for 1966

	1967	1966	Increase (decrease)
Balance at January 1	\$ 60,917.13	72,528.26	(11,611.13)
Receipts:			
Federal grant	121,700.00	-	121,700.00
Taxes and licenses	186,068.06	164,965.94	21,102.12
Hope Water and Light Plant	133,583.32	90,187.00	43,396.32
Health department fees	45,414.15	45,121.35	292.80
Parking meter fees	19,577.40	20,889.81	(1,312.41)
Rents	1,151.00	890.00	261.00
Swimming pool and parks	2,432.93	2,219.85	213.08
Fines	49,840.25	43,715.50	6,124.75
Sewer receipts	39,540.70	39,252.24	288.46
City inspection fees	462.50	883.50	(421.00)
Sale of cemetery lots	350.00	155.00	195.00
Miscellaneous	2,991.98	2,627.20	364.78
Sale of used equipment and timber	1,702.00	1,419.40	282.60
Street department service	22,210.56	11,947.23	10,263.33
Street improvement districts	1,597.16	1,067.25	529.91
Special election reimbursement	-	1,153.17	(1,153.17)
Dog pound	328.34	-	328.34
Airport revenue	9,000.00	8,500.00	500.00
Total receipts	637,950.35	434,994.44	202,955.91
Total to account for	698,867.48	507,522.70	191,344.78

### Disbursements:

Expenses:			
Administrative	25,031.53	21,245.11	3,786.42
Street department	192,476.67	145,541.53	46,935.14
Police department	91,404.88	77,299.30	14,105.58
Fire department	45,488.91	44,968.78	520.13
City parks and recreation	34,971.12	32,586.28	2,384.84
Health department	74,280.50	64,740.65	9,539.85
Sewer construction	119,269.17	-	119,269.17
Sewer bond debt service	20,473.55	19,927.50	546.05
Sewer department	17,829.23	17,237.52	591.71
Parking meters	9,747.48	11,305.14	(1,557.66)
Cemetery	5,156.85	4,116.81	1,040.04
Community center	1,131.00	1,105.47	25.53
Inspection	1,565.34	1,676.97	(111.63)
Airport	11,057.10	2,605.54	8,451.56
Civil defense	-	350.00	(350.00)
Water and lights	-	180.71	(180.71)
Decrease in unremitted payroll deductions	\$ 90.27	1,302.12	(1,211.85)
Increase in inventories	1,062.95	426.57	636.38
Increase (decrease) in other receivables	953.58	(10.43)	964.01
Total disbursements	651,990.13	446,605.57	205,384.56
Balance at December 31	\$ 46,877.35	60,917.13	(14,039.78)

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## Hope Municipal Water & Light Plant

### Statement of Earnings

Year ended December 31, 1967  
 with comparative figures for 1966

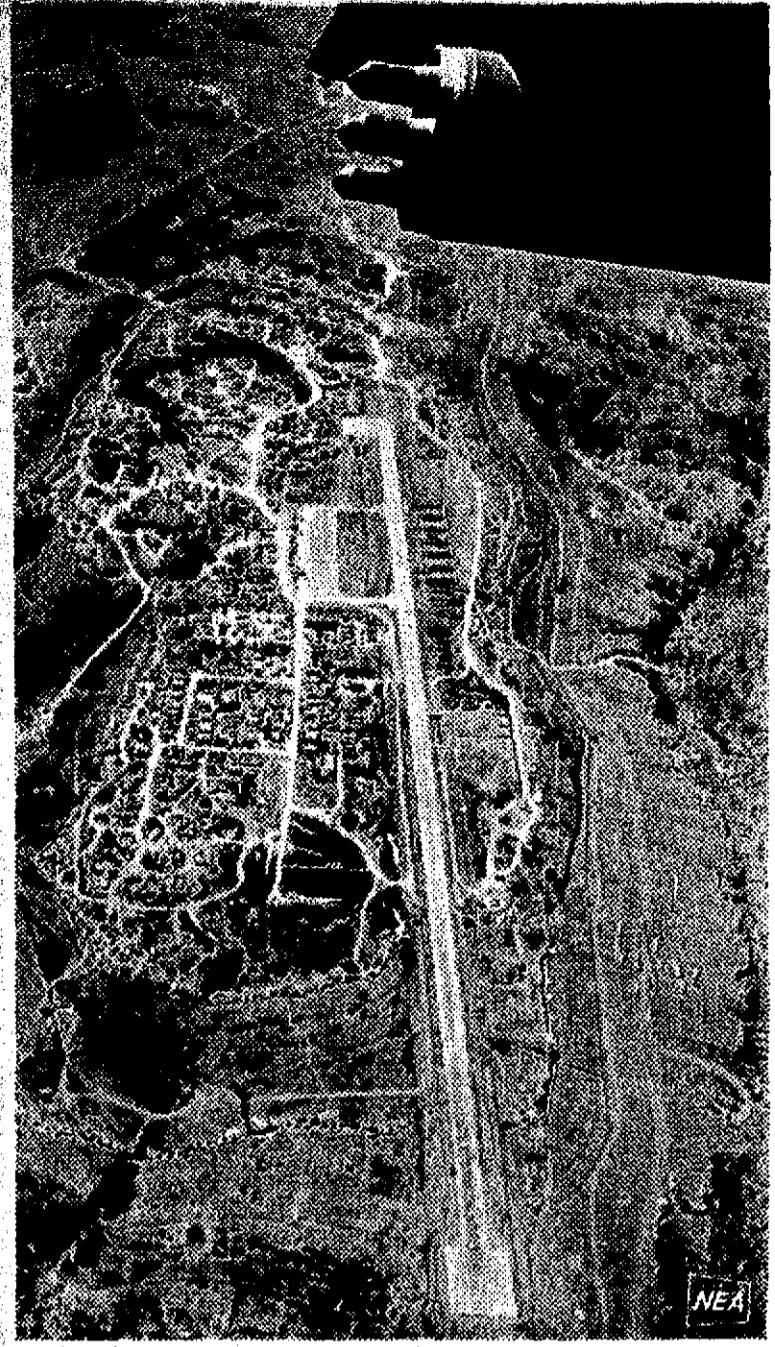
	1967	1966
Income:		
Service billings	\$ 946,815.41	899,710.04
Gross billings added	8,582.13	8,688.12
Total service billings	955,397.54	908,398.16
Production and distribution costs	552,790.88	517,951.47
Gross profit	402,606.66	390,446.69
General and administrative expenses	66,060.90	63,784.14
Operating profit	336,545.76	326,662.55
Other income:		
Penalties	-	1,546.00
Pole rent (net of payments)	2,901.00	2,892.00
Service charges	2,506.50	2,195.00
Miscellaneous	858.27	1,604.98
Inspections	591.25	758.75
Interest income	14,225.00	12,612.50
	21,082.02	21,609.23
	357,627.78	348,271.78
Other deductions:		
Loss on sale of fixed assets	227.71	-
Bad debts (note 6)	16,757.86	1,577.84
Interest expense	7,669.49	6,577.76
Cash short	117.73	217.62
	24,772.79	8,373.22
Net earnings	\$ 332,854.99	339,898.56

## Hope Municipal Water & Light Plant

### Balance Sheet

December 31, 1967  
 with comparative figures for 1966

	Assets	1967	1966
Utility plant:			
Property, plant and equipment, at cost	\$ 3,349,394.69	3,234,002.64	
Less allowance for depreciation	1,613,372.13	1,534,670.54	
Net utility plant	1,736,922.56	1,699,332.10	
Current assets:			
Cash on hand and in banks	193,248.20	305,143.58	
Certificates of deposit	300,000.00	300,000.00	
Accounts receivable	95,003.81	86,174.29	
Accrued interest receivable	1,704.00	1,604.00	
Inventory of supplies, at cost	84,842.46	80,040.60	
Prepaid insurance	1,593.95	1,738.55	
Total current assets	676,392.42	774,701.02	
Appropriated funds:			
Bond sinking fund cash (note 5)	175,522.13	149,077.16	
Other assets:			
Stock in Hempstead County Industrial Foundation, Inc., at cost	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Notes receivable (notes 1 and 6)	6,800.00	14,500.00	
Land	17,231.83	17,217.25	
Hope Industrial Area site	1,182.67	1,212.67	
Water project (note 2)	239,706.28	22,876.00	
Other	828.09	266,748.87	56,805.92
Deferred charges:			
Unamortized bond discount	12,292.21	13,217.41	
	\$ 2,866,978.19	2,693,133.61	
	Liabilities and Equity	1967	1966
Fixed indebtedness:			
Water and electric revenue bonds (note 5)	\$ 219,000.00	233,500.00	
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable:			
Trade	11,526.33	24,582.62	
Sales tax	2,043.85	2,350.96	
Employees' deductions	2,917.20	2,229.87	
City of Hope	8,139.43	7,872.14	
Reserve for power purchased not billed (note 3)	16,469.63	14,958.58	
Accrued salary, payroll taxes and retirement fund	1,645.67	4,325.85	
Accrued interest	1,463.13	773.91	
Total current liabilities	44,205.24	57,093.93	
Meter deposits	61,407.00	58,818.00	
Equity of City of Hope	2,542,365.95	2,343,721.68	
Contingent liability (note 4)			
	\$ 2,866,978.19	2,693,133.61	



MARINE BASE at Khe Sanh is seen here in aerial view. The airstrip runs east southeast (bottom of photo) to west northwest.

### Nation First, Says Johnson in Address

WASHINGTON (AP) — Here are the words with which President Johnson announced he would not seek re-election:

Throughout my entire public career I have followed the personal philosophy that I am a free man, an American, a public servant and a member of my Party, in that order always and only.

For 37 years in the service of our nation, first as a Congressman, as a Senator and as Vice President, and now as your President, I have put the unity of the people first. I have put it ahead of any divisive partisanship.

The President did not link his new peace offensive with his bombshell announcement removing himself from the presidential election race. But there was immediate Washington speculation that Ho Chi Minh might do so.

The question was whether Ho — if he is interested in negotiations at all — would expect to get better peace terms from a new administration than from the outgoing President.

Johnson based his partial bombing halt and his peace bid on the so-called San Antonio formula, which he announced in a speech at San Antonio, Texas, last September. Previously he had sent it to Hanoi through diplomatic channels in August.

He said then he would stop the bombing of North Vietnam if serious peace talks would begin promptly, and he would assume that Hanoi would not "take advantage of our restraint" to improve its military position.

North Vietnamese spokesmen denounced the formula and declared they would not promise military de-escalation. They did say about three months ago, however, that if the United States would unconditionally halt all attacks on North Vietnam, talks would begin shortly afterward and all relevant questions could be discussed.

More recently, it was learned that in diplomatic proings of the North Vietnamese stand the Johnson administration was seeking some assurance that in response to a bombing halt North Vietnam would scale down military operations.

Secretary of State Dean Rusk has said repeatedly he wanted to know what action North Vietnam would take if the United States ended its attacks — and he particularly wanted to know what would happen in the border region opposite Khe Sanh where massive enemy troop movements have been under way for months.

Recently officials in Washington have reported they detected no active interest in peace negotiations on North Vietnam's part. Informants said Sunday night there was definitely no understanding with North Vietnam preceding Johnson's decision on the bombing.

The President said he was acting unilaterally. Johnson said his immediate fields far away, with America's purpose was "to bring about a future under challenge right reduction in the level of violence here at home, with our hopes that now exists," to save lives, and the world's hopes for peace and "to permit the contending in the balance every day, I do forces to move closer to a political not believe that I should devote all settlement."

With America's sons in the Johnson renewed his offer, any personal partisan causes or first made in early 1965, to have to any duties other than the North Vietnam participate in a future under challenge right reduction in the level of violence here at home, with our hopes that now exists," to save lives, and the world's hopes for peace and "to permit the contending in the balance every day, I do forces to move closer to a political not believe that I should devote all settlement."

Accordingly, I shall not seek, indicated U.S. willingness to and I will not accept, the now have rebel leaders in South nation of my Party for another Vietnam have a part in that term as your President.

### Bomb Order Clashes With Military Men

By FRED S. HOFFMAN  
AP Military Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Johnson's order halting most bombing and naval shelling of North Vietnam clashes with the expressed convictions of key military leaders that it is vital to hit harder.

Johnson ordered Sunday night U.S. planes and warships "to make no attacks on North Vietnam, except in the area north of

the Demilitarized Zone." Presumably, the order was effective at once.

He permitted strikes only in a sector "where the continuing enemy build-up directly threatens allied forward positions and where the movements of their troops and supplies are clearly related to that threat."

The President's action exempts almost 90 per cent of North Vietnam's 17 million people and most of its territory — including Hanoi, the port of Haiphong and the rice-producing regions of food-short North Vietnam.

Military sources said they believe the bombing and shelling

will be compressed into a section south of Dong Hoi, a major point on the supply lines, about 35 miles above the DMZ.

This section, they said, includes the Mu Gia pass, through which many of North Vietnam's trucks drive with their loads of war supplies and munitions for

North Vietnamese and Viet Cong soldiers in South Vietnam. One member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff told a reporter privately within the past 10 days that he feels strongly the United States should broaden and intensify the air war against the North.

In view of the Communist winter offensive, this high-rank-

ing officer said the United States should lift restrictions on bombing the Haiphong harbor area, across which flow much of the Soviet-supplied arms, petroleum products and food.

"I'm for hitting anything that supports the enemy's war effort. In the South," he said. He did not rule out striking the dike system to ruin North Vietnam's rice crop.

Other senior officers, contacted after the President's limit-the-bombing order, made it plain they oppose it.

Recalling that all the JCS members went on record last summer as strongly supporting

the bombing, one officer said: "I don't know of any military men who have changed their minds."

Some uniformed professionals recalled that, during a four-day Lunar New Year bombing pause last year, American reconnaissance planes spotted trucks and barges flocking southward with an estimated 25,000 tons of war gear — many times the normal amount.

They said they fear the same thing will happen now, contending that the supply flow must be interdicted all along the supply route, not just at the bottom of the funnel.

Johnson's order comes at a

time when skies are clearing over the North after the month-long monsoon, creating weather conditions for more intensive bombing.

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U.S.D.A. CHOICE TENDERAY BEEF - STANDING

**Rib Roast** LB. 85¢

U.S.D.A. CHOICE TENDERAY BEEF

**Rib Steak** LB. 89¢

U.S.D.A. CHOICE TENDERAY BEEF - BONELESS

**Rib Steak** LB. \$1.29

SILVER PLATTER, CENTER CUT

**Pork Chops** Lb. 79¢

No purchase necessary to participate.  
Game material available at your Kroger store.

LB., 4 OZ. \$1  
PKG.

LB. PKG. 59¢

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